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HEALTH COMMITTEE.

YEAR 1960.

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Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the health and sanitary conditions of the District for the Year 1960.

Forty-Five cases of Infectious Diseases were notified during the year, which represents an increase of thirty-two on the figure for the previous year. Forty-three cases were due to a mild epidemic of Measles,and there was one case of Scarlet Fever and a case of Tuberculosis.

The Birth Rate has increased from 10.0 to 15.4 per 1.000 of the estimated population. The Death Rate is also slightly higher, being 17.1 an increase of 0.8 per 1.000

The Causes of Death compare very closely with those of the neighbouring authorities,Heart Diseases and Cancer being the chief causes in that order.

The statistics concerning infant welfare were very favourable. No infants died in the first year nor during the first four weeks and there were no still births, no illegitimate births,and no maternal deaths. 'Tis true the numbers concerned were small, nevertheless, it is singularly gratifying that during the year under review the figures were so satisfactory.

Conversions from pail closets to fresh-water closets is going on slowly. There are still 47 too many pail closets in this enlightened age.

I am again grateful to colleagues and others who have kindly supplied me with information relative to the work outside my control, which has been of appreciable help in the preparation of this Report.

Also, I would express my thanks for the courtesy and co-operation received from the Council and Staff of the Health Department.

I have the honour to be,
Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

R. E. ROBINSON,
Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL.

The number of cases of infectious diseases notified during the year is FORTY-FIVE, THIRTY-TWO MORE THAN FOR 1959, viz:-

43 cases of Measles. 1 case of Scarlet Fever.
1 Case of Tuberculosis.

This year the Birth-rate stands at 15.4 compared with 10.0 which is an increase of 5.4 per 1000 of the estimated population.

The Death-rate this year stands at 17.1. compared with 16.3 and this is an increase of .8 per 1000 of the estimated population.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Area (in acres)	6815
Population. - Census 1961.	1951
Population - Estimated 1960	1950
Number of inhabited houses - Census 1961	742
" " " " - 1960 (according to Rate Book) ...	808
Rateable Value	£15965
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£58

Causes of Death 1960. (Registrar General's Official Returns).

ALL CAUSES - Males 17. Females - 15.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Males.	Females.
Tuberculosis.	-	1
Malignant Neoplasms Lung Bronchus.	1	-
Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms	2	1
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System.	3	4
Coronary Disease Angina.	2	1
Hypertension with heart,disease	-	1
Other Heart Disease.	3	3
Other Diseases of Circ. System.	-	2
Influenza.	1	-
Bronchitis.	2	-
Pneumonia.	1	-
Other Diseases (Respiratory System)	1	-
Other defined and ill-defined diseases.	1	-
All other Accidents.	-	2
	17	15

		M.	F.
Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age	(Total	-	-
	(Legitimate.	-	-
	(Illegitimate.	-	-
Deaths of Infants under 1 year	(Total	-	-
	(Legitimate.	-	-
	Illegitimate.	-	-
Live Births	(Total.	13	16
	(Legitimate	13	16
	(Illegitimate	-	-
Still Births	(Total	-	-
	(Legitimate	-	-
	(Illegitimate	-	-

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

HOSPITALS.

The Hospital Services for the Urban District are provided by the Burnley & District Hospital Management Committee of the North-West Regional Hospital Board, and action is taken by them to secure adequate hospital treatment for the varying needs of the people.

The General Hospitals in Burnley & District available to Trawden residents are:-

Hartley Hospital, Colne.
Reedyford Memorial Hospital, Nelson.
General Hospital, Burnley.
Victoria Hospital, Burnley.

There is also Grove House at Barrowford for convalescent cases.

Infectious diseases are admitted to the Marsden Hospital, Burnley.

The following Maternity Hospitals are also available:-

Christiana Hartley Maternity Home, Colne.
Fern Lea Maternity Home, Nelson.
Bank Hall Maternity Hospital, Burnley.

The Health Services of the Area are maintained by the Local Authority, the Lancashire County Council. These are comprehensive and include Ante-Natal, Child Welfare, Artificial Sunlight, Speech Therapy, and Minor Ailment Clinics.

The Ambulance Services are maintained by the Lancashire County Council and operate from the Headquarters of the Health Services, No. 6. Division, "Oakleigh", Nr. Burnley.

LABORATORY SERVICES.

Pathological and Bacteriological specimens are examined and reported in the Laboratory at the Victoria Hospital, Burnley.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

Name of Clinic or Centre.	Situation.	Day and Time.	By whom provided.
Child Welfare and Diptheria Immunisation and vaccination.	Co-op Rooms, Colne Road, Trawden.	Fortnightly on Tuesday 2-4 p.m.	Lancashire County Council.
School Health Services Clinic.	Bank House, Albert Road, Colne.	Minor ailments each morning 9 a.m. to 12 Noon. Monday to Friday. Also Friday 2 p.m. to 4-30 p.m. by appointment.	do.
Ophthalmic.	do.	Monday 2 p.m. to 4-30 p.m. by appointment.	do.
Orthoptic.	do.	Monthly on Friday afternoons by appointment.	do.
Lip Reading.	do.	Monday mornings by appointment.	do.
Speech Therapy.	Carr Road Clinic, Nelson.	By appointment.	do.
Ultra Violet Light.	Bank House, Albert Road, Colne.	Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9 - 10 a.m.	do.
Orthopaedic.	Carr Road Clinic, Nelson.	Third Friday of each Month. Afternoons by appointment.	do.
Maternity, Infant & School Dental.	Bank House, Albert Road, Colne.	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9-30 - 12 Noon. 1-30 - 4 p.m.	do.
B.C.G. Vaccination.	do.	By appointment.	do.
Ear, Nose & Throat.	Hartley Hospital, Colne. Victoria Hospital, Burhley.	do.	Manchester Reg. Hosp. Board.
Tuberculosis & Non T.B. Chest Diseases & other Infectious Diseases.	Marsden Hospital, Burnley.	do.	Manchester Reg. Hosp. Board.
Venereal Diseases.	Victoria Hospital, Burnley.	Males. Tuesday 2-4 p.m. Friday 5-7 p.m. Females. Tuesday 5-7 p.m. Friday 2-4 p.m.	do.
Ante Natal &	Maternity Home, Colne.	Friday 2 - 4 p.m. and by appointment.	do.
Ante Natal Relaxation.	Bank Hall Maternity Hospital, Burnley.	By appointment.	do.
" " "	Carr Road Clinic, Nelson.	Thursday afternoon & Wednesday evening at 6 - 0 p.m.	Lancashire County C'cil
Ante Natal Relaxation.	Bank House, Albert Road, Colne.	Tuesday mornings.	do.
Mental Diseases.	General Hospital, Burnley.	By appointment.	Manchester Reg. Hosp. Board.

Mental Deficiency.	Occupational Centre, Nelson.	By arrangement with Div. M.O.Reedley.	Lanc. C.Council.

For General medical and surgical, facilities are available at:-

Hartley Hospital, Colne.
Reedyford Hospital, Nelson.
Victoria Hospital, Burnley.
General Hospital, Burnley.

Ambulance services are provided by the Lancashire County Council and are administered from the Divisional Health Office at Reedley.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE AREA.

WATER SUPPLY:- The water is obtained from springs and a boring in Boulsworth Hill, and is conveyed by pipe direct to the Houses. It is of constant supply and excellent quality, 742 houses being supplied. The remaining 83 houses have have private supplies from springs and boreholes; the water generally being of satisfactory analysis.

Pollution of RIVERS AND STREAMS:- These powers are under the Joint Board for the District.

TREATMENT OF SEWAGE:- All sewage treated at the works of the Colne Corporation.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION AT THE END OF 1960.

Privy middens - No. of middens -	NIL.
No. of closets attached to these middens -	NIL.
No. of pail closets.	47.
No. of dry ashpits.	NIL.
No. of movable ashbins.	711.
No. of houses on water carriage system.	643.
No. of fresh water closets.	630.
No. of waste water closets.	177.

CONVERSIONS.

		1960.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1959.
No. of Privy Closets.	(To fresh W.C.'s	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
	(To Waste W.C's.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
	(To pails etc.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
No. of Pail closets.	(To fresh W.C.s.	6	3	4	2	2	1
	(To waste W.C.s.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
No. of waste W.C.s. to Fresh W.C.s.		8	NIL	NIL	4	2	6
Additional W.C. installed at Factory.						1	
No. of houses at which movable ashbins have been substituted for fixed receptacles.		NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

SCAVENGERING:- Nightsoil is removed by Contract and deposited into the Council's Sewer.
House Refuse is removed by the Council's Motor Waggon and deposited in a disused Quarry.

SANITARY INSPECTION DURING 1960.

Number of Premises visited	97
Number of defects or nuisance discovered	25
Number abated by Informal Notice	25
Number of Notices served	
Informal	NIL.
Statutory ...	NIL.

No legal proceedings were necessary.

No action was taken with regard to smoke abatement.

Eradication of Bed Bugs: There were no infested premises.

There were no offensive trades in the District.

There were no common lodging-houses,houses-let-inlodgings,tents,vans or shed, canal boats or underground sleeping rooms.

WORKSHOPS and Workplaces were found to be in a very satisfactory condition.

The children are educated and cared for at Trawden County Primary School under ideal conditions. The sanitary condition and water supply of the School are good. The mdeical inspection of the children is undertaken by the County Authorities.

HOUSING.

Number of houses erected during the Year:-

a. Total including numbers given separately under b.

(1) By the Local Authority	NIL.
(2) By other Local Authorities	NIL.
(3) By other bodies and persons	NIL.

b. With State assistance under the Housing Acts:-

(1) By the Local Authority	NIL.
(2) By other bodies or persons . ... q.... ...	NIL.
Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the year	73

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK SUPPLY:- Under the supervision and control of the Lancashire County Council.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS. Fresh Meat supplies to Butchers killed and inspected at Slaughterhouses in the Borough of Colne.

Private Slaughterhouses - Number registered - NIL.

Number licensed - NIL

BAKEHOUSES. Four exist and are in good condition - periodical inspection made.

SHOPS. Bi-annual inspection by Public Health Inspector.

ADULTERATION. The Food and Drugs Authority for Trawden is the Lancashire County Council.
During the year 15 samples were submitted to the Public Analyst. Ten of these were milk and were all satisfactory. The remaining five samples were as follows:-

Sweetened Pudding Mixture.
Malt and Cocoa Beverage.
Epsom Salts.
Oatmeal.
Parrish's Chemical Food.

The Parrish's Chemical Food alone was found to be not up to the nature required. Thirty per cent of the iron present in the food had become insoluble. This was due to the sample having come from old stock. The whole of the affacted stock was surrendered.

ICE-CREAM. SIX retailers registered under Section 14. of the Food & Drugs Act, 1938. Periodical Inspection.

FOOD POISONING OUTBREAKS. NIL.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Forty-Five cases of Infectious Diseases occurred during the year. Bacteriological Examinations are made at the Medical Research Council's Laboratory at Burnley.

Specimens examined - NIL.

TUBERCULOSIS. One case was notified.

No. action was taken under the P.H.(Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925. or the P.H.A.Act, 1936., Section 172.

No cases of Ophthalmia Neonatorum occurred.

COUNCIL OFFICES,
TRAWDEN FOREST,
COLNE.
OCTOBER, 1961.